# Michigan Deptartment of Treasury 496 (2-04) Auditing Procedures Report

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August 22, 2006

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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To the Township Board Yates Township Lake County Idlewild, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Yates Township, Lake County, Idlewild, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These basic financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's Management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Yates Township, Lake County, Idlewild, Michigan as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have issued our report dated August 22, 2006, on our consideration of Yates Township's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages iii through ix and budgetary comparison information on page 24 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Yates Township, Lake County, Idlewild Michigan's basic financial statements. The individual fund financial statements, and other supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The individual fund financial statements and supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

Yates Township, a general law township located in Lake County has implemented the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (GASB 34). The Management's Discussion and Analysis, a requirement of GASB 34, is intended to be the Yates Township board's discussion and analysis of the financial results for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005. In future years, comparative information will be provided.

### **Financial Highlights**

#### **Government-Wide**

◆ The assets of the Township exceeded its liabilities at the close of the fiscal year by \$2,326,894. Of this amount, \$559,557 may be used to meet the township's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

#### **Fund Level Financial Statements**

◆ As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$554,121.

### **Long-Term Debt**

• The Township's total debt decreased by \$40,885 during the fiscal year.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Township's basic financial statements. The Township's basic financial statements are comprised of three components. 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements The government-wide financial statements, required by GASB 34, are new and being shown for the first time in 2005 for Yates Township. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Township's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. These statements are calculated using full accrual accounting and more closely represent those presented by business and industry. The entire Township's assets and liabilities, both short and long-term, are reported. As such, these statements include capital assets, net of related depreciation.

The *Statement of Net Assets* presents information on all of the Township's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Township is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Township's net assets changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in the future fiscal periods.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Township's that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Township include general government and administration, public safety, public works, and other functions. Business-type activities of the Township include sewer utility services.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

For the most part, the fund financial statements are comparable to prior years' financial statements. The primary difference is that the Account Groups (General Fixed Assets and General Long-Term Debt) are no longer reported. The fund level statements are reported on a modified accrual basis in that only those assets that are "measurable" and "currently available" are reported. Liabilities are recognized to the extent they are normally expected to be paid with current financial resources.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements focus on current sources and uses of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statement, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental fund statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

**Proprietary Funds** – The Township maintains one proprietary fund. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Township uses enterprise funds to account for its sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Sewer Fund since it is considered to be a major fund of the Township.

*Fiduciary funds*. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support Yates Township's own programs.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

### **Other Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements, this report further presents Required Supplementary Information (RSI) that explains and supports the information presented in the financial statements.

### **Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

The Statement of Net Assets is the first statement in the Government-Wide Financial Statements section of this document. This statement is useful for providing an indicator of the Township's financial position over time. The Net Assets of the Township are \$2,326,894 at March 31, 2005, meaning the Township's assets were greater than its liabilities by this amount.

### Yates Township Net Assets as of March 31, 2005

	Governmental Activities			Business Type Activities		Total
Assets						10141
Current and Other Assets	\$	596,885	\$	32,911	\$	629,796
Non Current Assets						_
Capital Assets		315,740		2,207,172		2,522,912
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(77,541)		(155,948)	(233,489)	
Total Non Current Assets		238,199		2,051,224		2,289,423
Total Assets	\$	835,084	\$	2,084,135	\$	2,919,219

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

			]	Business		
	Governmental			Type		
	Activities			Activities		Total
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities	\$	54,185	\$	6,382	\$	60,567
Long-Term Liabilities		157,758		374,000		531,758
Total Liabilities	1	211,943		380,382		592,325
Net Assets						
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt		79,771		1,672,224		1,751,995
Restricted		0		15,342		15,342
Unrestricted		543,370		16,187		559,557
Total Net Assets	1	623,141		1,703,753		2,326,894
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		835,084	\$	2,084,135	\$	2,919,219

The most significant portions of the Township's Net Assets are cash and investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, equipment, infrastructure, and others).

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Township is able to report positive balances in all categories of net assets for the government as a whole.

The following table illustrates and summarizes the results of the changes in the net assets for the Township. The condensed information was derived from the government-wide Statement of Activities.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

### Yates Township Change in Net Assets For the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2005

	Business							
	Go	vernmental		Type				
		Activities	1	Activities		Total		
Revenues								
Program Revenues								
Charges for Services	\$	2,005	\$	30,925	\$	32,930		
Operating Grants and Contributions		80,093		0		80,093		
General Revenues								
Property Taxes		355,288		0		355,288		
Licenses and Permits		2,803		0		2,803		
State Grants		66,348		0		66,348		
Contributions from Local Units		4,930		0		4,930		
Investment Earnings		1,131		220		1,351		
Other		22,697		0		22,697		
<b>Total Revenues</b>		535,295	31,145		566,440			
Expenses								
Legislative		23,494		0		23,494		
General Government, Administrative		114,128		0		114,128		
Public Safety		117,638		0		117,638		
Public Works		97,433		76,805		174,238		
Community and Economic Development		4,837		0		4,837		
Recreational and Cultural		24,727		0		24,727		
Public Transportation		9,038		0		9,038		
Other Functions		74,561		0		74,561		
<b>Total Expenses</b>		465,856		76,805		542,661		
Changes in Net Assets		69,439		(45,660)		23,779		
NET ASSETS - Beginning of Year		553,702		1,749,413		2,303,115		
NET ASSETS - End of Year	\$	623,141	\$	1,703,753	\$	2,326,894		

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

#### **Governmental Activities**

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, the Township's net assets increased by \$23,779 in the governmental funds. GASB 34 now requires the Township to maintain a record of annual depreciation expense and the accumulation of depreciation expense over time. The net increase in accumulated depreciation expense is a reduction in net assets.

The most significant portion of the revenue for all governmental activities of Yates Township comes from property taxes and special assessments. The Township levied 7.1149 mills for operating purposes. In addition, the Township levied a per parcel special assessment to supplement general fund operations.

State shared revenue is collected by the State of Michigan and distributed to local governments by formula allocation of portions of the State sales tax. In fiscal year 2005, the amount of state shared revenue received by the Township trended downward, representing declining sales tax collections and discretionary reductions by the State in revenue sharing payments.

The Township's governmental activities expenses are dominated by Public Safety expenses that total 26% of total expenses. The Township spent \$117,638 in fiscal year 2005 on Public Safety expenses. General Government represented the next largest expense at \$114,128, or 26% of total expenses. Depreciation expense added another \$27,141.

### **Business-Type Activities**

These activities accounted for a decrease of \$45,660 in the Township's Net Assets.

The Business-type activities of the Township include the Sewer Fund, which provides sewer utility services to Township residents as well as commercial customers.

### **Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds**

Governmental Funds The focus of Yates Township's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Township's financing requirement. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, Yates Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$554.121.

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

### FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

**General Fund** – The General Fund increased its fund balance by \$34,085 which brings the fund balance to \$536,310. The General Fund's fund balance is unreserved. Property taxes amounted to \$341,950. State shared revenues were collected in the amount of \$53,087.

### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets.** The Township's investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities as of March 31, 2005 amounted to \$2,289,423 net of accumulated depreciation.

Capital assets summarized below include any items purchased with a cost greater than \$5,000 individually and that have a useful life greater than one year. A summary of capital asset categories is illustrated below:

### Yates Township Capital Assets as of March 31, 2005

		ernmental ctivities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
System Infrastructure	\$	0	\$ 2,182,172	\$ 2,182,172
Easements		0	5,000	5,000
Vehicles		232,500	0	232,500
Equipment		83,240	20,000	103,240
		315,740	2,207,172	2,522,912
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(77,541)	(155,948)	(233,489)
Net Capital Assets		238,199	\$ 2,051,224	\$ 2,289,423

### **Economic Condition and Outlook**

The unemployment rate is still high in the State of Michigan and the State's shortfall in the budget means further reductions in state-shared revenues. State-shared revenues are expected to remain the same in the 2005-06 fiscal year. The Township's millage rate will be reduced again by the Headlee Amendment rollback.

These factors were considered in preparing the Township's budgets for the 2005-06 fiscal year.

### **Request for Information**

The financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need any additional information, contact Yates Township at P.O. Box 115, 413 E. Baldwin Rd, Idlewild, MI 49642.

### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2005

			BUSINESS	
	GOVE	ERNMENTAL	TYPE	
	A(	CTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
<u>ASSETS</u>				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash	\$	438,968	\$ 8,691	\$ 447,659
Accounts Receivable		0	8,878	8,878
Taxes Receivable		126,905	0	126,905
Due from External Parties (Fiduciary Fund)		21,677	0	21,677
Due from Other Governments		9,335	0	9,335
Total Current Assets		596,885	17,569	614,454
RESTRICTED ASSETS				
Cash				
Bond Reserve Account		0	15,234	15,234
Bond and Interest Redemption Fund		0	108	108
Total Restricted Assets		0	15,342	15,342
CAPITAL ASSETS				
System Infrastructure		0	2,182,172	2,182,172
Easements		0	5,000	5,000
Vehicles		232,500	0	232,500
Equipment		83,240	20,000	103,240
		315,740	2,207,172	2,522,912
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(77,541)	(155,948)	(233,489)
Net Capital Assets		238,199	2,051,224	2,289,423
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	835,084	\$ 2,084,135	\$ 2,919,219
LIABILITIES				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$	17,852	\$ 0	\$ 17,852
Accrued Interest Payable		0	1,382	1,382
Due to Other Governments		24,912	0	24,912
Notes Payable - Current Portion		11,421	0	11,421
Revenue Bonds Payable - Current Portion		0	5,000	5,000
Total Current Liabilities		54,185	6,382	60,567

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2005

		BUSINESS	
	GOVERNMENTAL	TYPE	
	ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES			
Lake County Chargebacks	10,751	0	10,751
Fire Equipment Contract Payable	10,600	0	10,600
Fire Truck Contract Payable	136,407	0	136,407
Revenue Bonds Payable - Net of Current Portion	0	374,000	374,000
Total Long-Term Liabilities	157,758	374,000	531,758
Total Liabilities	211,943	380,382	592,325
NET ASSETS			
Invested in Capital Assets Net of Related Debt	79,771	1,672,224	1,751,995
Restricted for Debt Service	0	15,342	15,342
Unrestricted	543,370	16,187	559,557
TOTAL NET ASSETS	623,141	1,703,753	2,326,894
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 835,084	\$ 2,084,135	\$ 2,919,219

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

				PRO	OGRAM REVENUI	ES		ND			
		_			OPERATING	CAPITAL		S			
			CHARGES FOR		GRANTS AND	<b>GRANTS AND</b>	GO	VERNMENTAL	BUSINESS-TYPE		
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	EXPE	NSES	SERVICES	C	CONTRIBUTIONS	CONTRIBUTIONS		ACTIVITIES	ACTIVITIES	TOTALS	
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT											
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES											
Legislative	\$ 2	23,494	\$	0 \$	0	\$ 0	\$	(23,494)	\$ 0 \$		
General Government	11	14,128	2,00	5	0	0		(112,123)	0	(112,123)	
Public Safety	11	17,638		0	80,093	0		(37,545)		(37,545)	
Public Works	Ģ	97,433		0	0	0		(97,433)	0	(97,433)	
Community and Economic Development		4,837		0	0	0		(4,837)	0	(4,837)	
Recreation and Cultural	2	24,727		0	0	0		(24,727)	0	(24,727)	
Public Transportation		9,038		0	0	0		(9,038)	0	(9,038)	
Other Functions		74,561		0	0	0		(74,561)	0	(74,561)	
Total Governmental Activities	46	65,856	2,00	5	80,093	0		(383,758)	0	(383,758)	
BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITIES											
Sewer System		76,805	30,92	25	0	0		0	(45,880)	(45,880)	
TOTAL	\$ 54	42,661	\$ 32,93	0 \$	80,093	\$ 0	=	(383,758)	(45,880)	(429,638)	
	GENER	RALRE	<u>VENUES</u>								
		erty Tax	<u> </u>					355,288	0	355,288	
	_	ises and	Permits					2,803	0	2,803	
	State	Grants						66,348	0	66,348	
			from Local Units	3				4,930	0	4,930	
		tment Ea						1,131	220	1,351	
	Other		. 6					22,697	0	22,697	
	Tot	al Gener	al Revenues					453,197	220	453,417	
	Change	in Net A	Assets					69,439	(45,660)	23,779	
	NET AS	<u>SSETS</u> -	Beginning of Ye	ar				553,702	1,749,413	2,303,115	
	NET AS	<u>SSETS</u> -	End of Year				\$	623,141	\$ 1,703,753 \$	2,326,894	

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

# BALANCE SHEET MARCH 31, 2005

ASSETS_	Gl	ENERAL FUND	LAND TRUST FUND	TOTALS	
ASSETS					
Cash	\$	398,550	\$ 40,418	\$	438,968
Taxes Receivable		126,905	0		126,905
Due from Other Governments		9,335	0		9,335
Due from Other Funds		21,677	2,305		23,982
Total Assets	\$	556,467	\$ 42,723	\$	599,190
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Due to Other Governments Due to Other Funds	\$	17,852 0 2,305	\$ 0 24,912 0	\$	17,852 24,912 2,305
Total Liabilities		20,157	24,912		45,069
FUND BALANCE Unreserved					
Undesignated		536,310	17,811		554,121
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	556,467	\$ 42,723	\$	599,190

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

### RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2005

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds	\$	•	554,121
Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the			
Statement of Net Assets are Different Because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not			
financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.			
Vehicles	\$ 232,500		
Equipment	83,240		
Accumulated Depreciation	 (77,541)		238,199
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period			
and therefore are not reported in the funds			
Lake County Chargebacks	(10,751)		
Fire Equipment Contract Payable	(14,855)		
Fire Truck Contract Payable	 (143,573)		(169,179)
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$	<u>,                                     </u>	623,141

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

	GI	ENERAL FUND	LAND TRUST FUND		Т	OTALS
REVENUES						
Taxes	\$	355,288	\$	0	\$	355,288
Licenses and Permits		2,803		0		2,803
State Grants		137,056		0		137,056
Contributions from Local Units		14,315		0		14,315
Charges for Services		2,005		0		2,005
Interest and Rents		6,744		57		6,801
Other Revenues		8,952		8,075		17,027
Total Revenues		527,163		8,132		535,295
EXPENDITURES						
Legislative		23,494		0		23,494
General Government		114,128		0		114,128
Public Safety		166,622		0		166,622
Public Works		97,433		0		97,433
Community and Economic Development		4,837		0		4,837
Recreation and Cultural		24,727		0		24,727
Public Transportation		9,038		0		9,038
Other Functions		52,799		21,762		74,561
Total Expenditures		493,078		21,762		514,840
Net Change in Fund Balance		34,085		(13,630)		20,455
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of Year		502,225		31,441		533,666
FUND BALANCE - End of Year	\$	536,310	\$	17,811	\$	554,121

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES MARCH 31, 2005

Net Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 20,455
Amounts reported for governmental activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures in the statement of	
activities. These costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as	
depreciation.	(27,141)
Depreciation Expense	40,240
Capital Outlay	
Repayments of principal on long-term debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but not in the statement of activities (where it is a reduction of liabilities)	
Note Payable	 35,885
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 69,439

### PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

### MARCH 31, 2005

### **ASSETS**

<u>Current Assets</u>	
Cash	\$ 8,691
Accounts Receivable	8,878
Total Current Assets	17,569
Restricted Assets	
Cash	
Bond Reserve Account	15,234
Bond and Interest Redemption Fund	108
Total Restricted Assets	15,342
Capital Assets	
Machinery and Equipment	20,000
Easements	5,000
Sewer System	,
•	2,182,172
Total Capital Assets	2,207,172
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(155,948)
Net Capital Assets	2,051,224
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,084,135
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accrued Interest Payable	\$ 1,382
Revenue Bonds Payable - Current Portion	,
•	5,000
Total Current Liabilities	6,382
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	
Revenue Bonds Payable - Net of Current Portion	374,000
Total Liabilities	380,382
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,672,224
Restricted	15,342
Unrestricted	16,187
Total Net Assets	1,703,753
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 2,084,135

### <u>PROPRIETARY FUND</u> STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for Services		\$	30,925
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>			
Other Services and Charges			
Printing and Publishing	\$ 611		
Professional Services	2,581		
Utilities	5,478		
Telephone	1,102		
Repairs	4,589		
Depreciation	 45,643		60,004
Operating Income (Loss)			(29,079)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Interest Income			220
Interest Expense			(16,801)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)			(16,581)
Change in Net Assets			(45,660)
NET ASSETS - Beginning of Year		1	,749,413
NET ASSETS - End of Year		\$ 1	,703,753

### PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

### INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash Received from Customers and Other Revenues	\$	27,251
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services		(14,361)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	12,890
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Principal Paid on Bonds	\$	(5,000)
Interest Paid		(16,801)
	ф	(21 001)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	\$	(21,801)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest Received	\$	220
		_
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(8,691)
		22.724
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - Beginning of Year		32,724
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - End of Year	\$	24,033
	Ψ	21,033

### PROPRIETARY FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

## RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:** 

# Operating Income (Loss) Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities Depreciation \$ 45,643

(Increase) Decrease in Current Assets
Accounts Receivable (3,675)

Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities
Accrued Interest Payable

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Total Adjustments \$\\ 41,969\$

Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities \$ 12,890

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2005

	A	AGENCY			
ASSETS Cash	\$	60,540			
<u>LIABILITIES</u>					
Due to General Fund	\$	21,677			
Due to Other Governments		38,863			
Total Liabilities	\$	60,540			
NET ASSETS		0			
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	60,540			

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

### I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### A. Reporting Entity

Yates Township is a general law township located in Lake County which operates under the direction of an elected township board. Under the criteria established by generally accepted accounting principles, the Township has determined that there are no component units which should be included in its reporting entity.

#### **B.** Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

During fiscal year 2005, the Township adopted GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, as amended by GASB Statements No. 37 and No. 38, and applied those standards on a retroactive basis. GASB Statement No. 34 establishes standards for external financial reporting for state and local governments and requires that resources be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following three net asset categories.

Invested in Capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes, and other debt that are attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, and contributions, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Unrestricted net assets* consist of net assets which do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets are often designated, to indicate that management does not consider them to be available for general operations. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources which are imposed by management, but can be modified or removed.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Township as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The fund financial statements are similar to the financial statements presented in the previous financial reporting model.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Sales taxes collected and held by the state at year end on behalf of the government are also recognized as revenue. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

Entitlements and shared revenues are recorded at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met.

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds are maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

Yates Township reports the following major governmental funds:

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

The *General Fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Additionally Yates Township reports the following fund types:

The *special revenue funds* account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes (not including expendable trusts or major capital projects).

Agency funds are custodial in nature and do not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. Agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. These funds are used to account for assets that the Township holds for others in an agency capacity.

The *proprietary funds* are used to account for those operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business or where the Board has decided that the determination of revenues earned, costs incurred and/or net income is necessary for management accountability.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes and other charges between the other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions involved. Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use the restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

### D. Assets, Liabilities and Equity

#### 1. Deposits and Investments

The Township's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of twelve months or less from date of acquisition.

The Investment Policy adopted by the Township allows the Treasurer to invest in certificates of deposit, savings deposit receipts and savings accounts.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

### 2. Receivables and Payables

Transactions between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on the property as of the date they are levied. State education taxes are levied and due July 1, and become delinquent after September 14. County and all other taxes are levied and due December 1, and become delinquent after February 14. Collections of school and county taxes and remittances of them are accounted for in the Current Tax Collection Fund. Township property tax revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available for use to finance Township operations. Amounts which are not expected to be collected within sixty days are treated as deferred revenues.

The 2004 taxable valuation of Yates Township totaled \$22,713,180, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 7.1149 mills for Yates Township operating purposes. The levy raised approximately \$161,602 for operating purposes.

### 3. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories are not significant and are expensed as acquired.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

#### 4. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of proprietary fund capital assets is reflected in the capitalized value of the asset constructed, net of interest earned on the invested proceeds over the same period.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

Property, plant and equipment of the primary government are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>ASSETS</u>	YEARS
Buildings	50
Land improvements	25
Equipment	10
System Infrastructure	50

### 5. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

### 6. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

### 7. Use of Estimates

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### A. Budgetary Information

The annual budget is adopted on the modified accrual basis in accordance with the requirements of Michigan Public Act 621 of 1978 "The Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act". A public hearing is held to obtain taxpayer comments. Appropriations lapse at year end. Budget amounts are as originally

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

adopted on March 20, 2004, or as amended by the Township Board from time to time throughout the year.

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund and activity. The Township Board exercises budgetary control over expenditures.

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Township because it is, at present, not considered necessary to assure effective budgetary control or to facilitate effective cash planning and control.

#### B. Funds with expenditures in excess of appropriations were as follows:

	APPRO	PRIATIONS	EXPENDITURES			
			_			
General Fund	\$	418,700 \$	493,078			

### III. <u>DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS AND ACCOUNT GROUPS</u>

#### A. Deposits and Investments

The Township's deposits are owned by several of the Township's funds. Bank deposits are in Lake Osceola State Bank, Baldwin, Michigan. At year-end, the carrying amount of the Township's deposits was \$523,541 and the bank balance was \$523,581. Of the bank balance, \$100,000 was covered by Federal depository insurance and \$423,581 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

The Township's investments are categorized in the following schedule to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at year end.

Investment rate risk. The Township will minimize Interest Rate Risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by; structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities in the open market; and investing operating funds primarily in shorter-term securities, liquid asset funds, money market mutual funds, or similar investing pools and limiting the average maturity in accordance with the Township's cash requirement.

Foreign currency risk. The Township is not authorized to invest in investments, which have this type of risk.

*Credit risk.* The Township will minimize Custodial Credit Risk, which is the risk of loss due to the failure of the security issuer of backer, by; limiting investments to the types of securities listed in the Village's investment policy; and pre-qualifying the financial institutions, brokers/dealer, intermediaries and advisors with which the Township will do business in accordance with the Township's investment policy.

Concentration of credit risk. The Township will minimize Concentration of Credit Risk, which is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Township's investment in a single issuer, by diversifying

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

Custodial credit risk – deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. As of March 31, 2005, of the government's bank balance of \$523,581, \$423,581 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Custodial credit risk – investments. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the government will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Township's investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Township at year end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered, or securities held by the Township or the Township's agent in the Township's name. Category 2 includes investments that are uninsured and unregistered with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or its agent in the Township's name. Category 3 includes investments that are uninsured and unregistered, with the securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or its agent but not in the Township's name. At year end, the Township held no investments.

#### **B.** Receivables

Receivables as of year end for the government's individual funds are as follows:

		Land		
	General Trust		Sewer	Total
Receivables				_
Accounts	\$ 0	\$	0 \$ 8,878	\$ 8,878
Taxes	126,905		0 0	126,905
Intergovernmental	9,335		0 0	9,335
				_
Total	\$ 136,240	\$	0 \$ 8,878	\$ 145,118

The allowance for doubtful accounts is not considered to be material for disclosure.

Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the fiscal year, the Township did not have any deferred revenue.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

### **B.** Capital Assets

Sewer

Primary Government								
	Beginning				Ending			
		Balance	It	ncreases	Dec	reases		Balance
Governmental activities								
Capital assets, being depreciated								
Vehicles	\$	232,500	\$	0	\$	0	\$	232,500
Equipment		43,000		40,240		0		83,240
Total capital assets, being depreciated	\$	275,500	\$	40,240	\$	0	\$	315,740
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Vehicles	\$	48,250	\$	21,500	\$	0	\$	69,750
Equipment		2,150		5,641		0		7,791
Total accumulated depreciation	\$	50,400	\$	27,141	\$	0	\$	77,541
Total capital assets, beging depreciated net	\$	225,100	\$	13,099	\$	0	\$	238,199
Business-Type Activities								
Capital assets, being depreciated								
Easements	\$	5,000	\$	0	\$	0	\$	5,000
Equipment		20,000		0		0		20,000
System Infrastructure		2,182,172		0		0		2,182,172
Total capital assets, being depreciated	\$	2,207,172	\$	0	\$	0	\$	2,207,172
Less accumulated depreciation		110,305		45,643		0		155,948
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$	2,096,867	\$	45,643	\$	0	\$	2,051,224
Depreciation expense was charged to functions/program	ms of	f the primary	y go	vernment	as fo	llows:		
Governmental activities:								
General Government							\$_	27,141
Business-Type Activities								

45,643

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

**Construction Commitments:** 

The government has no outstanding construction commitments as of March 31, 2005.

### D. Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at March 31, 2005, were:

		INTERFUND	INTERFUND		
		RECEIVABLES	<b>PAYABLES</b>		
		DUE FROM'S	DUE TO'S		
<u>Fund</u>				_	
General Fund					
Land Trust Fund	\$	0	\$	2,305	
Current Tax		21,677		0	
Land Trust Fund					
General Fund		2,305		0	
Current Tax					
General Fund	_	0		21,677	
Total	\$_	23,982	\$	23,982	

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

### E. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the long-term debt transactions of the Township for the year ended March 31, 2005:

	BONDS		NOTES		NDS NOTES		TOTAL	
Long-Term Debt Payable at April 1, 2004	\$	384,000	\$	205,064	\$	589,064		
Long-Term Debt Incurred		0		0		0		
Long-Term Debt Retired		(5,000)		(35,885)		(40,885)		
LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE AT MARCH 31, 2005	\$	379,000	\$	169,179	\$	548,179		

Long-term debts at March 31, 2005 are comprised of the following individual amounts:

### **Bonds Payable**

The long-term debt at March 31, 2005 consists of a bond payable for Yates
Township Sanitary Sewage Disposal System Bonds - Series 1999 - due in
annual installments of \$5,000 to \$21,000 through March 1, 2039, interest at 4.375%. \$
379,000

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

### Lake County Tax Chargeback Note

The long-term debt at March 31, 2005 consists of a note payable to the Lake County Treasurer for tax chargebacks from 1983-1995. The note is being repaid in annual installments of \$10,751 through the 2005-2006 fiscal year at no interest, principal only.

10,751

### Fire Equipment Note

The long-term debt at March 31, 2005 consists of a note payable to Lake-Osceola State Bank for the purchase of fire protection equipment. The note is being repaid in annual installments of \$5,000 to \$6,852 through June 29, 2008 including interest at 3.75%

14,855

### Fire Truck Note

The long-term debt at March 31, 2005, consists of a note payable to Lake Osceola State Bank for the purchase of a fire truck. The note is being repaid in annual Installments of \$14,808 through September 8, 2018 including interest at 5.25%

143,573

548,179

The annual requirements to amortize the long-term debt outstanding as of March 31, 2005, including interest payments of \$446,871 are al follows:

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31,	_	BONDS PAYABLE	TAX HARGEBACK NOTE	RE TRUCK AND QUIPMENT NOTE	TOTAL
2006	\$	21,582	\$ 10,751	\$ 19,808	\$ 52,141
2007		21,362	0	19,808	41,170
2008		21,144	0	19,808	40,952
2009		21,926	0	21,660	43,586
2010		21,662	0	14,808	36,470
2011-2015		108,114	0	74,040	182,154
2016-2020		108,016	0	59,232	167,248
2021-2025		107,958	0	0	107,958
2026-2030		108,576	0	0	108,576
2031-2035		109,041	0	0	109,041
2036-2039	_	105,754	0	0	 105,754
	\$_	755,135	\$ 10,751	\$ 229,164	\$ 995,050

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2005

### IV. OTHER INFORMATION

#### A. Risk Management

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The Township participates in a pool of municipalities within the State of Michigan for self-insuring property and casualty, crime, general liability, workers compensation insurance and errors and omissions insurance. The Township pays annual premiums to the pool for the respective insurance coverage. In the event the pool's total claims and expenses for a policy year exceed the total normal annual premiums for said years, all members of the specific pool's policy year may be subject to special assessments to make up the deficiency. The Township has not been informed of any special assessments being required for the current year or the three prior years.

The Township continues to carry insurance for other risks of loss, including fidelity bonds.

### **B.** Property Taxes

The Township levied 7.1149 mills in tax on state taxable value of \$22,713,180 on the 2004 tax roll. In addition the Township levies a per parcel special assessment to supplement general fund operations.

### C. Interest Income and Expense

For the year ended March 31, 2005 interest income and expense was as follows:

		Interest				
		Income	Expense			
General Fund	\$	1,074	\$	0		
Land Trust Fund		57		0		
Sewer Fund	_	220		16,801		
TOTAL	\$_	1,351	\$	16,801		

#### D. Restatement

The prior year total assets and total liabilities were both understated by the cost of a fire truck and equal amounts of financing for the truck purchase. This transaction had no effect on the beginning of year net assets of the Township.

# YATES TOWNSHIP, LAKE COUNTY IDLEWILD, MICHIGAN REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND

#### YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

	GENERAL FUND					
	ORIGINAL BUDGET		FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET	
<u>REVENUES</u>					_	
Taxes	\$	0	\$ 0	\$ 355,288	\$ 355,288	
Licenses and Permits		0	0	2,803	2,803	
State Grants		0	0	137,056	137,056	
Contributions from Local Units		0	0	14,315	14,315	
Charges for Services		0	0	2,005	2,005	
Interest and Rents		0	0	6,744	6,744	
Other Revenues		0	0	8,952	8,952	
Total Revenues		0	0	527,163	527,163	
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>						
Legislative	$\epsilon$	50,786	60,786	23,494	37,292	
General Government	10	2,798	102,798	114,128	(11,330)	
Public Safety	10	)4,736	104,736	166,622	(61,886)	
Public Works	Ģ	96,200	96,200	97,433	(1,233)	
Community and Economic Development		4,910	4,910	4,837	73	
Recreation and Cultural		8,170	8,170	24,727	(16,557)	
Public Transportation		7,800	7,800	9,038	(1,238)	
Other Functions	3	33,300	33,300	52,799	(19,499)	
Total Expenditures	41	8,700	418,700	493,078	(74,378)	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(41	8,700)	(418,700)	34,085	452,785	
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of Year		0	0	502,225	502,225	
<u>FUND BALANCE</u> - End of Year (Deficit)	\$ (41	8,700)	\$ (418,700)	\$ 536,310	\$ 955,010	

### GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

### MARCH 31, 2005

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 398,550
Taxes Receivable	126,905
Due from Other Funds	21,677
Due from Other Governments	 9,335
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 556,467
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 17,852
Due to Land Trust Fund	 2,305
Total Liabilities	\$ 20,157
FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	 536,310
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 556,467

### <u>GENERAL FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

<u>REVENUES</u>	
Taxes	\$ 355,288
Licenses and Permits	2,803
State Grants	137,056
Contribution from Local Units	14,315
Charges for Services	2,005
Interest and Rents	6,744
Other Revenues	8,952
Total Revenues	\$ 527,163
EXPENDITURES	
Legislative	
Township Board	\$ 23,494
General Government	
Supervisor	11,736
Elections	2,289
Assessor	43,318
Clerk	10,791
Board of Review	365
Treasurer	14,435
Computer Administration	1,407
Building and Grounds	29,551
Cemetery	236
Public Safety	166,622
Public Works	97,433

### <u>GENERAL FUND</u> SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

Community and Economic Development	4,837
Recreation and Cultural	24,727
Public Transportation	9,038
Other Functions	 52,799
Total Expenditures	\$ 493,078
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 34,085
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of Year	 502,225
FUND BALANCE - End of Year	\$ 536,310

### SEWER FUND STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

### MARCH 31, 2005

### **ASSETS**

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<u>Current Assets</u>	
Cash	\$ 8,691
Accounts Receivable	8,878
Total Current Assets	17,569
Restricted Assets	
Cash	15.004
Bond Reserve Account	15,234
Bond and Interest Redemption Fund	108
Total Restricted Assets	15,342
Capital Assets	
Machinery and Equipment	20,000
Easements	5,000
Sewer System	2,182,172
Total Capital Assets	$\frac{2,102,172}{2,207,172}$
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(155,948)
Net Capital Assets	2,051,224
Net Capital Assets	2,031,224
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,084,135
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accrued Interest Payable	\$ 1,382
Revenue Bonds Payable - Current Portion	5,000
Total Current Liabilities	6,382
Total Current Elabilities	0,302
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	
Revenue Bonds Payable - Net of Current Portion	374,000
Total Liabilities	380,382
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,672,224
Restricted	15,342
Unrestricted	16,187
Total Net Assets	1,703,753
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 2,084,135

### <u>SEWER FUND</u> STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for Services		\$	30,925
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>			
Other Services and Charges			
Printing and Publishing	\$ 611		
Professional Services	2,581		
Utilities	5,478		
Telephone	1,102		
Repairs	4,589		
Depreciation	 45,643		60,004
Operating Income (Loss)			(29,079)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)			
Interest Income			220
Interest Expense			(16,801)
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)			(16,581)
Change in Net Assets			(45,660)
NET ASSETS - Beginning of Year		1	,749,413
NET ASSETS - End of Year		\$ 1	,703,753

### SEWER FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

### INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Cash Received from Customers and Other Revenues	\$ 27,251
Cash Payments to Suppliers for Goods and Services	 (14,361)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 12,890
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Principal Paid on Bonds	\$ (5,000)
Interest Paid	 (16,801)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	\$ (21,801)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Interest Received	\$ 220
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ (8,691)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - Beginning of Year	 32,724
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - End of Year	\$ 24,033

### SEWER FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

# RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (29,079)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net	
Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	
Depreciation	\$ 45,643
(Increase) Decrease in Current Assets	
Accounts Receivable	(3,675)
Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities	
Accrued Interest Payable	 1
Total Adjustments	\$ 41,969
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ 12,890

### LAND TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET

#### MARCH 31, 2005

### ASSETS Cash Commercial Account 40,418 Due from Other Funds General Fund 2,305 **TOTAL ASSETS** 42,723 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE **LIABILITIES** Due to Other Governments 24,912 **FUND BALANCE** Balance Unreserved 17,811 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE 42,723

### <u>LAND TRUST FUND</u> <u>STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</u>

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2005

REVENUES	
Land Sales	\$ 8,075
Interest Earnings	57
Total Revenues	8,132
EXPENDITURES	
Transfers to Other Governments	 21,762
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(13,630)
FUND BALANCE - April 1, 2004	 31,441
FUND BALANCE - March 31, 2005	\$ 17,811

### CURRENT TAX COLLECTION FUND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### MARCH 31, 2005

	E	BALANCE					В	ALANCE
_		4/1/2004	AD	DITIONS	RE	DUCTIONS	3	/31/2005
<u>ASSETS</u>								
Cash								
Commercial Account	\$	11,712	\$	799,974	\$	751,146	\$	60,540
<u>LIABILITIES</u>								
Due to Other Organizations and Individuals	\$	0	\$	8	\$	8	\$	0
Due to Other Governments		1,430		568,439		531,006		38,863
Due to Other Funds		10,282		231,527		220,132		21,677
	\$	11,712	\$	799,974	\$	751,146	\$	60,540

### STATEMENT OF 2004 TAX ROLL MARCH 31, 2005

TAXES ASSESSED			
County	\$ 261,094		
County - State Education Tax	137,982		
County - Renascence Zone	298		
Township			
Operating	161,602		
Special Assessment	172,496		
Lake Assessment	7,851		
School			
Baldwin Community Schools	362,016		
Intermediate Schools			
Mason/Lake Intermediate	 82,156	\$ 1,185,49	95
TAXES COLLECTED			
County	\$ 175,352		
County - State Education Tax	102,651		
County - Renascence Zone	262		
Township			
Operating	108,532		
Special Assessment	98,581		
Lake Assessment	6,128		
School			
Baldwin Community Schools	238,161		
Intermediate School			
Mason/Lake Intermediate	 55,176	784,84	43
TAXES RETURNED DELINQUENT			
County	\$ 85,742		
County - State Education Tax	35,331		
County - Renascence Zone	35		
Township			
Operating	53,070		
Special Assessment	73,916		
Lake Assessment	1,723		
School			
Baldwin Community Schools	123,855		
Intermediate School			
Mason/Lake Intermediate	 26,980	\$ 400,65	52

### SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS - SERIES 1999 YATES TOWNSHIP BONDS

# STATEMENT OF BONDS PAYABLE MARCH 31, 2005

TITLE C	F ISSUE
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United States of America, State of Michigan, County of Lake, Township of Yates, Sanitary Sewage Disposal System Revenue Bonds - Series 1999

**PURPOSE** 

The proceeds of the series 1999 bonds were used in whole to accompany federal and local grant proceeds to finance the construction of a sanitary sewage disposal system in the Township of Yates.

DATE OF ISSUE December 22, 1999

INTEREST RATE 4.375%

AMOUNT OF ISSUE \$ 396,000

AMOUNT REDEEMED

Prior to Current Year \$ 12,000 During Current Year \$ 5,000 17,000

BALANCE OUTSTANDING - March 31, 2005 \$ 379,000

	INTEREST	REQUIREMENTS						
DUE DATES	RATES	PRI	PRINCIPAL		INTEREST		TOTAL	
September 1, 2005	4.375%			\$	8,291	\$	8,291	
March 1, 2006	4.375%	\$	5,000		8,291		13,291	
September 1, 2006	4.375%				8,181		8,181	
March 1, 2007	4.375%		5,000		8,181		13,181	
September 1, 2007	4.375%				8,072		8,072	
March 1, 2008	4.375%		5,000		8,072		13,072	
September 1, 2008	4.375%				7,963		7,963	

# $\frac{\text{SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS - SERIES 1999}}{\text{YATES TOWNSHIP BONDS}}$

### STATEMENT OF BONDS PAYABLE MARCH 31, 2005

	INTEREST	REQUIREMENTS			
DUE DATES	RATES	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	TOTAL	
March 1, 2009	4.375%	6,000	7,963	13,963	
September 1, 2009	4.375%		7,831	7,831	
March 1, 2010	4.375%	6,000	7,831	13,831	
September 1, 2010	4.375%		7,700	7,700	
March 1, 2011	4.375%	6,000	7,700	13,700	
September 1, 2011	4.375%		7,569	7,569	
March 1, 2012	4.375%	7,000	7,569	14,569	
September 1, 2012	4.375%		7,416	7,416	
March 1, 2013	4.375%	7,000	7,416	14,416	
September 1, 2013	4.375%		7,263	7,263	
March 1, 2014	4.375%	7,000	7,263	14,263	
September 1, 2014	4.375%		7,109	7,109	
March 1, 2015	4.375%	7,000	7,109	14,109	
September 1, 2015	4.375%		6,956	6,956	
March 1, 2016	4.375%	8,000	6,956	14,956	
September 1, 2016	4.375%		6,781	6,781	
March 1, 2017	4.375%	8,000	6,781	14,781	
September 1, 2017	4.375%		6,606	6,606	
March 1, 2018	4.375%	8,000	6,606	14,606	
September 1, 2018	4.375%		6,431	6,431	
March 1, 2019	4.375%	9,000	6,431	15,431	
September 1, 2019	4.375%		6,234	6,234	
March 1, 2020	4.375%	9,000	6,234	15,234	
September 1, 2020	4.375%		6,038	6,038	
March 1, 2021	4.375%	10,000	6,038	16,038	
September 1, 2021	4.375%		5,819	5,819	
March 1, 2022	4.375%	10,000	5,819	15,819	
September 1, 2022	4.375%		5,600	5,600	
March 1, 2023	4.375%	10,000	5,600	15,600	
September 1, 2023	4.375%		5,381	5,381	
March 1, 2024	4.375%	11,000	5,381	16,381	
September 1, 2024	4.375%		5,141	5,141	

# $\frac{\text{SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS} - \text{SERIES 1999}}{\text{YATES TOWNSHIP BONDS}}$

# STATEMENT OF BONDS PAYABLE MARCH 31, 2005

	INTEREST	REQUIREMENTS			
DUE DATES	RATES	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	TOTAL	
March 1, 2025	4.375%	11,000	5,141	16,141	
September 1, 2025	4.375%		4,900	4,900	
March 1, 2026	4.375%	12,000	4,900	16,900	
September 1, 2026	4.375%		4,638	4,638	
March 1, 2027	4.375%	12,000	4,638	16,638	
September 1, 2027	4.375%		4,375	4,375	
March 1, 2028	4.375%	13,000	4,375	17,375	
September 1, 2028	4.375%		4,091	4,091	
March 1, 2029	4.375%	14,000	4,091	18,091	
September 1, 2029	4.375%		3,784	3,784	
March 1, 2030	4.375%	14,000	3,784	17,784	
September 1, 2030	4.375%		3,475	3,475	
March 1, 2031	4.375%	15,000	3,478	18,478	
September 1, 2031	4.375%		3,150	3,150	
March 1, 2032	4.375%	15,000	3,150	18,150	
September 1, 2032	4.375%		2,822	2,822	
March 1, 2033	4.375%	16,000	2,822	18,822	
September 1, 2033	4.375%		2,472	2,472	
March 1, 2034	4.375%	17,000	2,472	19,472	
September 1, 2034	4.375%		2,100	2,100	
March 1, 2035	4.375%	18,000	2,100	20,100	
September 1, 2035	4.375%		1,707	1,707	
March 1, 2036	4.375%	18,000	1,707	19,707	
September 1, 2036	4.375%		1,313	1,313	
March 1, 2037	4.375%	19,000	1,313	20,313	
September 1, 2037	4.375%		897	897	
March 1, 2038	4.375%	20,000	897	20,897	
September 1, 2038	4.375%		460	460	
March 1, 2039	4.375%	21,000	460	21,460	
		\$ 379,000	\$ 357,135	\$ 736,135	

### SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS - SERIES 1999 YATES TOWNSHIP BONDS

# STATEMENT OF BONDS PAYABLE MARCH 31, 2005

#### REDEMPTION PRIOR TO MATURITY

The bonds shall be subject to prepayment prior to maturity at the option of the Township, in any order, in whole or in part, in integral multiples of \$1,000, on any date, at par plus accrued interest to the date of such prepayment.

Notice of the redemption for any principal installment of this Bond for repayment at the option of the Township shall be given by first class mail, not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for prepayment, to the registered owner of this Bond at the address shown on the bond register kept by the Registrar; provided, however, that failure to give such notice by mailing or any defect therein shall not effect the validity of any proceedings for the redemption of Bonds.

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August 22, 2006

# REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Township Board Yates Township Lake County Idlewild, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Yates Township, Lake County, Idlewild, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 22, 2006. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Yates Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Yates Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect Yates Township's ability to initiate, record, process, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in the accompanying Letter of Reportable Conditions.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements cause by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that the reportable condition described in the accompanying Letter of Reportable Conditions is a material weakness.

We also noted certain matters that we reported to the management of Yates Township in a separate letter dated August 22, 2006.

This report is intended for the information of management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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August 22, 2006

#### LETTER OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

To the Township Board Yates Township Lake County Idlewild, Michigan

During the course of our audit of the basic financial statements of Yates Township for the year ended March 31, 2005, we noted the following:

#### Reportable Condition in Internal Controls

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Yates Township for the year ended March 31, 2005, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements.

Certain matters considered to be reportable conditions in internal controls were noted. We are issuing a separate letter (letter of reportable conditions) which addresses those items noted.

#### GASB 34

These financial statements are reported under the new GASB 34 accounting standard and are much different than in the past.

Some of the more significant changes required by GASB 34 are as follows:

- 1. Management's discussion and analysis is a new section in the financial report. This includes the administration's narrative overview of the information contained in the financial statements.
- 2. Several new types of financial statements are now included that reports financial information on a Township-wide basis and incorporates capital assets, a provision for depreciation on those assets as well as long-term liabilities of the Township.

We recommend the Township carefully review these statements under the new accounting standard. We are available to explain the various changes in detail if so desired.

#### **Bank Reconciliations**

At year end we had to reconcile the book balances to the bank for all accounts. This procedure should be completed by the Township on a monthly basis with copies of the reconciliations maintained with the bank statements.

#### Accounting Records

The trust and agency transactions for special assessments were not posted to the Townships computerized general ledger. As a result we had to make adjustments to include these transactions in the General Fund. In the future all special assessment transactions should be recorded in the computerized general ledger.

#### Sewer Fund – Restricted Assets

Restricted funds are required to be set aside to meet Sewer Fund bond ordinance requirements. At March 31, 2005, the Sewer Fund Bond Reserve and Bond and Interest Redemption Accounts did not meet the ordinance requirements. The Township should transfer excess funds from the Sewer Receiving Fund to meet the requirements of the bond ordinance. In addition, the Sewer Construction Fund can be closed out.

#### **Budgeting**

PA 621 requires that the Township officially adopt an annual budget before the beginning of the fiscal year. This should be done in March each year. The budget document should include all items required by PA 621, including estimated beginning and ending fund balances for each fund. The budget should be amended during the year before incurring disbursements in excess of appropriations. All amendments to the budget should be clearly recorded in the official township minutes.

#### Property Tax Administration Fee

The Township has determined that authorized costs of collecting taxes will be repeatedly in excess of revenue generated by the administration fee, but has not formally taken action to write off this loss. We recommend that the Township maintain subsidiary records which reflect property tax administration fee collections and costs, and that the board pass a motion each year to write off the loss.

#### Balance in the Tax Collection Fund

The Township had a substantial amount of tax collection in the tax collection fund that were not distributed by year end. In the future these disbursements should be done in accordance with Department of Treasury regulations.

#### Other Information

As of the date of this report there is an ongoing investigation relative to some allegations made by township residents. This report does not reflect any potential financial impact of the investigation.

We would like to thank the board for its continued confidence in our firm and to thank the township officers for their cooperation.

If you have any questions relative to the above comments and recommendations or other areas of your annual accounting, please feel free to call on us.

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August 22, 2006

#### LETTER OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS

To the Township Board Yates Township Lake County Idlewild, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Yates Township, Lake County, Idlewild, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2005, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the basic financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. However, we noted certain matters that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the organization's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the basic financial statements.

The relatively small number of people involved in the accounting functions of the Township and the design of the accounting system as developed by the State make it difficult to adequately segregate duties. Segregation of accounting duties is a fundamental method of strengthening internal control. However, in deciding what internal control procedures should be implemented, the Board must consider the costs of implementing them and weigh those costs against the benefits to be derived from their implementation. The Township has implemented all reasonable internal controls and when consideration is made of the cost of implementing additional controls versus the benefit to be derived by additional controls, the costs far outweigh the benefits.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material to the basic financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, we believe that the condition described above is a material weakness.

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